

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION

Please replace the paragraph on page 18 ll. 1-14 with the following amended paragraph:

Furthermore, the cryptographic apparatus of the present invention may have the following construction. A content data obtaining unit obtains content data. A cryptographic information obtaining unit obtains cryptographic information including information specifying a part on which cryptographic processing is to be performed in the contents data. This information including a reference instruction indicating that a data section in the content data be referred to. Then, a part specifying unit specifies the certain part of the content data based on the cryptographic information by searching for and referring to the data section in the content data as indicated by the reference instruction. After this, a cryptographic processing unit performs one of encryption and decryption on the certain part.

Please replace the paragraph on page 22 ll. 14-19 with the following amended paragraph:

Here, a computer that reads a control program recorded onto the program storage medium from memory and operates based on the read control program accurately specifies a part of the content data on which cryptographic processing is to be performed by referring to one section, a specific data section, of the content data, and then performs cryptographic processing on that part.